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SUBJECT: Headquarters Visit of Representative Paul Simon (D., Ill.), 3 February 1978

During lunch, Representative Simon was asked for his impression of how CIA is held by his colleagues on the Hill. He said that his colleagues by and large felt CIA was a very competent organization but that it was overly secretive. Representative Simon said that recently he had been given a copy of an unclassified CIA report and was impressed by its thoroughness and objectivity. He said that by and large his colleagues on the Hill were unaware of unclassified CIA reports and suggested that we might consider sending a list of all unclassified publications to every Member of Congress. I told him that while we wanted to be sure that every Member of Congress was aware of all the services CIA could provide to them we did have problems with such a suggestion but that we would take a look at it to see what could be done. Representative Simon asked what he as a non-oversight committee member could do for the Intelligence Community. Mr. Jack Blake, A/DDCI, mentioned legislation to protect classified information from unauthorized disclosure and relief from the FOIA. Mr. Simon was amazed at the amount of man-hours and work that the Agency contributes to the FOIA process.

4. We also passed to him the problems concerning
Section 662 and the Case Act. In addition, it was mentioned that one
way he could help would be to give his full support to the House Permanent
Select Committee on Intelligence to assure that Committee that it has the

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confidence of the members in order that they be able to take a more active role not only in overseeing the Agency but in helping the Agency solve its problems with respect to Congress.

5. _____ After the lunch, Mr. Simon was taken on a tour of the Operations Center.

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SUBJECT: Agenda for Representative Paul Simon (D., 111.)
Visit to Headquarters Building on 3 February 1978

1. 11:00 a.m. Arrive at Headquarters building accompanied by

They will be met at the front entrance by

OLC, and will be escorted to 6D0120, where they will be briefed by ORPA/International Issues Staff Chief.

members of his staff:

Subjects for inclusion in the briefing will be:

 economic and political causes for nuclear proliferation.

- CIA coverage of international issues, with specific reference to Human Rights.

2. 12:30 p.m. Luncheon in DC1 dining room, which was reserved by Dick Lehman, Associate Director, NFAC. Attending the luncheon will be: *

Representative Paul Simon
Dick Lehman, NFAC
ORPA
Jim Taylor, Comptroller
Don Gregg, SA/DO/O
INFAC/CSS
CIA Congressional Fellow
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* (3 Feb 78) John F. Blake will host the luncheon.

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3. 1:30 p.m. (approximately) The Congressman will offered a tour of the Agency after the luncheon. The Operations Center has been alerted to the possibility.	l be
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